

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

<i>Application No.:</i>	10/570,836	}
<i>Filing Date:</i>	March 3, 2006	}
<i>Art Unit:</i>	1641	}
<i>Confirmation No.:</i>	5258	}
<i>Examiner:</i>	COOK, Lisa V.	}
<i>Invention:</i>	ASSAY FOR DIABETES	}
<i>Inventor:</i>	Walsh et al.	}
<i>Attorney Docket No.:</i>	36180-102911	}
<i>Customer No.:</i>	23644	}

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant submits herewith a petition for three-month extension of time, along with the required fee. In lieu of a response to the Office Action mailed August 23, 2007, applicant is submitting today a continuation (CON) application based on the subject application.

Given that the due date for a response to the Office Action with a three-month extension of time is Saturday, February 23, 2008. Applicant believes that a three-month extension of time is sufficient to maintain copendency with the CON application to be filed today, February 21, 2008. No other fees are believed due at this time. In the event that the PTO deems a petition for a three-month extension of time is warranted, please consider this a conditional petition thereof and charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 12-0913 with reference to our attorney docket number 36180-102911.

Respectfully submitted,
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Date: February 21, 2008



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